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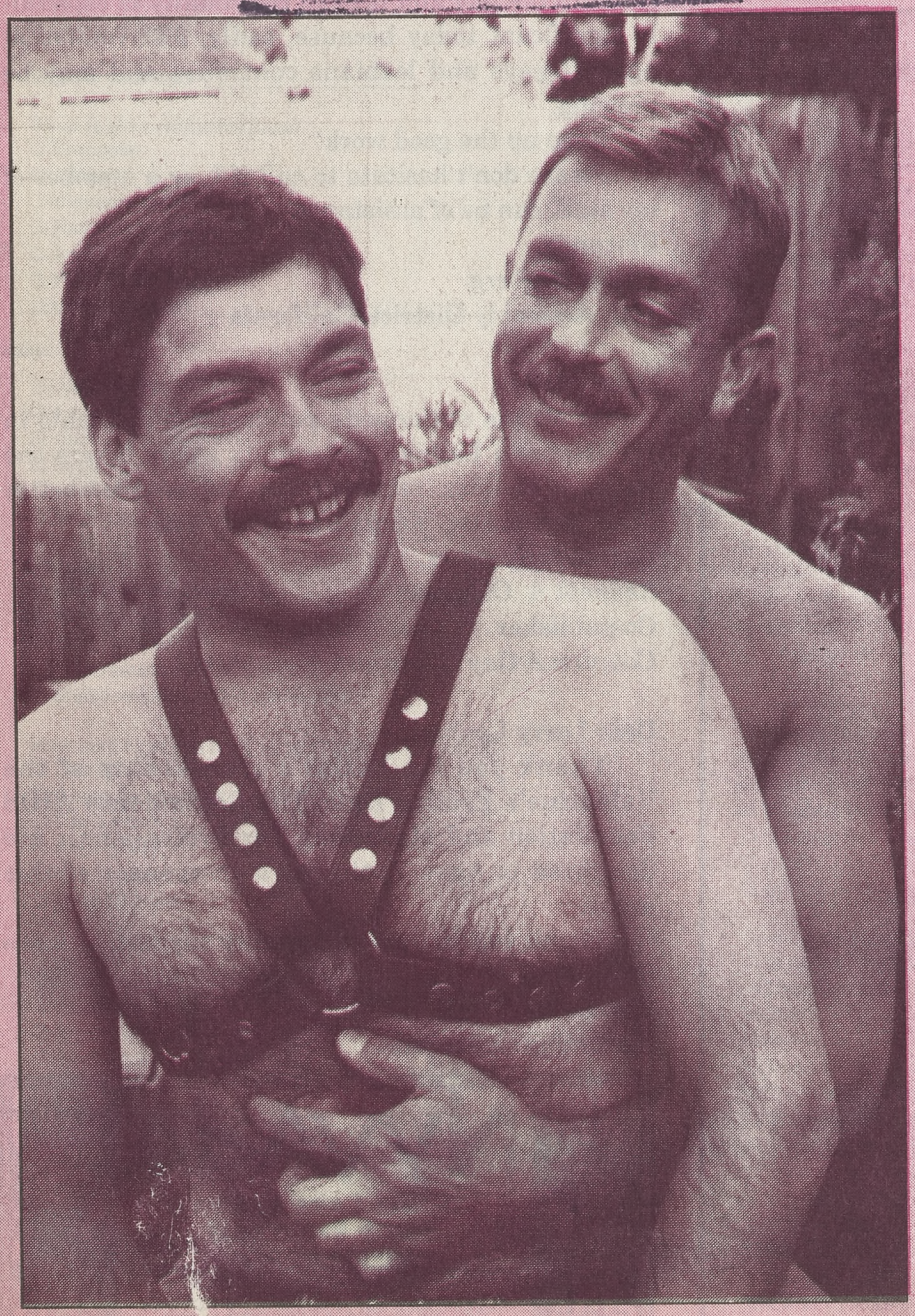

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Telling your own children that you are gay is a big challenge ...

But confronting the stigma of leather at the same time?

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LETTERS

Dear Ernie Brown:

I regret that I was unable to attend the recent 8th Annual Lambda Awards Dinner when the River City Democratic Club (RCDC) chose to honor you for your outstanding leadership.

As you know, my staff member, Loretta Donovan, attended the dinner on my behalf. She said she enjoyed meeting you. She shared with me the warmth and enthusiasm the guests expressed as you were honored.

It's because of your selfless leadership and commitment that you were selected by RCDC to receive the 1991 Lambda Award. The contribution you've given to the gay and lesbian community is especially significant today because, sadly, discrimination against gays and lesbians continues and may be growing.

Keep up the good work.

Please don't hesitate to call if I, or a member of my staff, can be of assistance.

Sincerely,
Philip Isenberg
10th Assembly District, California

Dear Editor:

Of all the nationwide publications available in the Gay and Lesbian community yours covers the issues of couples, relationships and families better than anyone else. Keep up the good work!

Respectfully yours,
Kenneth A. Osherow
Co-publisher
Couples: A Gay & Lesbian Newsletter

Dear Larry Lanham:

Thank you for Patlar's sponsorship of the Valentine's Erotica Ball. The Sacramento AIDS Foundation and Marketing For Professionals are delighted to have Patlar as a co-sponsor of this event.

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PATLAR READER SURVEY

PATLAR is interested in YOU! Who are you? What do you do? What are your interests? What do you want from Patlar? Please take a few moments to fill out this simple reader survey and return it to us. Rest assured that all responses will be kept strictly confidential; our purpose is to enable us to serve you better! And five respondents will receive a free one year subscription to PATLAR!

About you

1. ❑ What is your gender?
   ❑ Female
   ❑ Male

2. What is your sexual orientation?
   ❑ Lesbian
   ❑ Gay
   ❑ Bisexual
   ❑ Straight

3. Are you:
   ❑ Completely closeted
   ❑ Out to selected friends
   ❑ Out to friends and family
   ❑ Out to everyone

4. What is your age? _____

5. What is your ethnic heritage?
   ❑ European
   ❑ African
   ❑ Hispanic/Latino/a
   ❑ Native American
   ❑ Asian
   ❑ Pacific Islander
   ❑ Other (Specify) _____

About home

6. Do you live in:
   ❑ a rural area
   ❑ small town (Under 50,000)
   ❑ large town (50,000-100,000)
   ❑ small city (100,000-500,000)
   ❑ large city (Over 500,000)

7. Do you:
   ❑ Live with parents/family
   ❑ Rent by yourself
   ❑ Rent with others
   ❑ Own house/condo by yourself
   ❑ Share ownership of a house/condo

8. How long have you lived in your present residence?
   ❑ Less than 6 months
   ❑ 6 months to 1 year
   ❑ 1 to 3 years
   ❑ 3 to 5 years
   ❑ 5 to 10 years
   ❑ Over 10 years

About school

9. Indicate highest level completed:
   ❑ some high school
   ❑ high school graduate
   ❑ trade/vocational school
   ❑ some college
   ❑ college graduate
   ❑ some graduate work
   ❑ Completed MA/doctorate

About work

10. My household income is:
    ❑ Under $15,000 per year
    ❑ $15,000-20,000
    ❑ $20,000-30,000
    ❑ $30,000-40,000
    ❑ $40,000-50,000
    ❑ $50,000-75,000
    ❑ $75,000-100,000
    ❑ $100,000-125,000
    ❑ $125,000-150,000
    ❑ Over $150,000

11. My field of work is:
    ❑ Arts
    ❑ Banking/Finance
    ❑ Clerical/Office
    ❑ Construction/Trades
    ❑ Counselling
    ❑ Dental/Medical
    ❑ Education
    ❑ Farming/Agriculture
    ❑ Food Services
    ❑ Garden/Landscaping
    ❑ Insurance
    ❑ Law Enforcement
    ❑ Law/Legal Services
    ❑ Military
    ❑ Public Service/Government
    ❑ Real Estate
    ❑ Sales/Retail
    ❑ Small Business Owner
    ❑ Student
    ❑ Other

12. At work I am:
    ❑ Completely closeted
    ❑ Out to selected co-workers
    ❑ Out to my supervisor
    ❑ Out to most everyone.

About leisure

13. In the past year I have (check all that apply):
    ❑ seen no theatrical films
    ❑ Seen 1 to 5 theatrical films
    ❑ seen over 5 films
    ❑ rented no videos
    ❑ rented 1 to 5 videos
    ❑ rented over 5 videos
    ❑ bought no books
    ❑ bought 1 to 5 books
    ❑ bought over 5 books
    ❑ bought a lesbian/gay themed book
    ❑ not gone to a live concert or performance
    ❑ gone to 1 to 5 live concerts or performances
    ❑ gone to over 5 live concerts or performances

14. In the past year I have (check all that apply):
    ❑ Travelled outside my city of residence less than.5 times
    ❑ Travelled outside my city of residence 5 to 10 times
    ❑ Travelled outside my city of residence more than 10 times
    ❑ Travelled by rented car
    ❑ Travelled by train
    ❑ Travelled by commercial airline
    ❑ Travelled by gay/lesbian cruise
    ❑ Travelled by non-gay/lesbian cruise
    ❑ Visited a gay/lesbian supportive hotel/B&B/Resort
    ❑ Visited a straight hotel/B&B/resort

15. In the past year I have spent roughly:
    $ _____on music (tapes/CD's)
    $ _____on books
    $ _____on cinema
    $ _____on videos

$ _____on clothing
$ _____on leather
$ _____on beer/liquor at bars
$ _____on beer/liquor at home
$ _____on dining out
$ _____on sports events
$ _____travel expenses
$ _____on fundraisers/charity events

About politics

16. My party affiliation is:
- ❑ Republican
- ❑ Democrat
- ❑ Libertarian
- ❑ Green
- ❑ Not Registered
- ❑ Other (Specify)_____

17. I consider myself to be:
- ❑ Very liberal
- ❑ Liberal
- ❑ Moderate
- ❑ Conservative
- ❑ Very conservative

18. My level of political involvement (check all that apply):
I have:
- ❑ never or rarely voted
- ❑ sometimes voted
- ❑ usually or always voted
- ❑ considered candidate views on gay/lesbian issues when voting
- ❑ written to a legislator/official on Gay issues
- ❑ telephoned a legislator/official on Gay issues
- ❑ Visited a legislator/official's office
- ❑ Donated time/money to a pro-Gay candidate
- ❑ Boycotted some firm or product because of Anti-Gay sentiment
- ❑ Taken part in non-violent rallies or marches
- ❑ Taken part in non-violent civil disobediance
- ❑ Taken part in other protest actions
- ❑ Been arrested for protest actions

About relationships

19. I am:
- ❑ Single, not looking
- ❑ Single, seeking a relationship
- ❑ In a relationship under 6 months
- ❑ In a relationship between 6 months to a year
- ❑ In a relationship between 1 year and 3 years
- ❑ In a relationship between 3 years and 5 years
- ❑ In a relationship between 5 years and 10 years
- ❑ In a relationship over 10 years

20. If in a relationship, you and your partner:
- ❑ allow for a completely "open" sexual relationship
- ❑ allow for an open relationship within agreed upon rules
- ❑ allow for rare sexual relations outside the relationship
- ❑ are both monogamous

21. If in a relationship, you and your partner:
- ❑ keep your finances completely separate
- ❑ Keep most personal assets separate, but maintain a pooled "household" account
- ❑ Pool most assets but maintain spparate personal accounts
- ❑ completely pool all assets

22. I:
- ❑ Have no children
- ❑ have adopted children
- ❑ Have children from before coming out
- ❑ Have children through artifical insemination
- ❑ Have children through foster parenting
- ❑ Would like to have children

About PATLAR

23. Where do you pick up PATLAR?
- ❑ Bar
- ❑ Bookstore
- ❑ Community center
- ❑ Video store
- ❑ Movie theater
- ❑ Through friends
- ❑ By subscription
- ❑ Other _____

24. Besides yourself, how many other people read your copy of PATLAR?_____

25. I read the following features:
(1=never, 2=rarely, 3=sometimes, 4=usually, 5=always)

❑ Letters	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Editor	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Mel Dahl	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Nancy Lyn Define	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Lee Horner	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Leonard Earl Johnson	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Mary Smith	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Ralph Walker	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Family Matters	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Positive Outlook	1	2	3	4	5
❑ CrossRoads	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Classifieds	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Ernie Brown	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Cat Comiskey	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Laura Post	1	2	3	4	5
❑ Sophisticated Traveler	1	2	3	4	5

26. My favorite aspect of PATLAR is:
_____
_____
_____
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27. My least favorite aspect of PATLAR is:
_____
_____
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_____

28. I would like to see more emphasis on:
- ❑ politics
- ❑ the arts
- ❑ fiction/poetry
- ❑ the Leather scene
- ❑ court functions
- ❑ women's health
- ❑ HIV/AIDS news
- ❑ couples
- ❑ Regional News (specify)
- ❑ Other (specify)

29. I would like to see less emphasis on:
_____
_____
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_____

Thank you.
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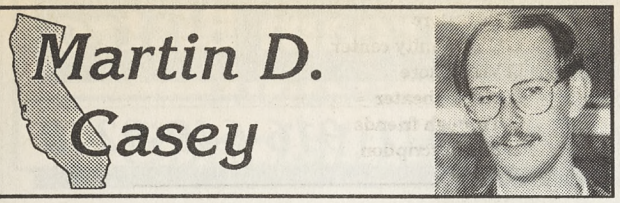

Odds N' Ends

Welcome to the New Year! I, along with the entire staff of PATLAR, would like to wish you a healthy, happy, and prosperous 1992. I plan to bounce around a bit in this month's column, sharing little observations which got left on the cutting room floor from earlier editorials as well as some new developments at PATLAR...

For instance, did you notice how the mainstream press fixated on the few incidents of violence which occurred after the veto of AB 101? For weeks news stories started out," Gays and Lesbians held a candle light vigil tonight, but they rioted two weeks ago in Los Angeles and San Francisco..." To paraphrase; we're here, we're queer – GET OVER IT!

Similarly, isn't it about time the media stop pandering to the dominant culture's hysterical desire to ostracize us by always focusing on images of the most distinctive aspects of our culture – the dykes on bikes, drag queens, leathermen, and so on? It's akin to only showing photos of Geishas and claiming that ALL Japanese are like that image. Just as we must ourselves resist the temptation to suppress our cultural uniqueness, so must we be vigilant in challenging the media to present our full diversity.

And did you see where half the nation now thinks that Magic Johnson "deserves HIV because he should have known better!?!" It amazes me how fast people found a way to make him "guilty" of something so that they could set him apart from themselves.

Oh well, on to news about PATLAR! As we enter 1992 we bid farewell to a wonderful writer, Mary Smith. After having charged up Sacramento's women's community with "Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change", she will soon enter graduate school! We all wish her the greatest success in the future.

Dr. Jerome Murphy (Family Matters, September) was interviewed by Sacramento TV station KTXL Fox 40 for their evening newscast as a result of his article in PATLAR! Thanks to the staff at Lambda Community Center for that referral!!

You'll find several articles on leather this month in PATLAR, which is part of our attempt to offer several issues a year on specific themes. Next month, for instance, we shall feature race and ethnicity in the lesbian and gay community.

We are currently developing plans for a new section to be spun off from "Diversions" in which we can feature our poetry, short fiction, and other creative writing! We hope that this will attract a variety of new talent from around the nation - please feel free to send us material for consideration.

And we are now going directly to you for input! On page 3 you will find the PATLAR READER SURVEY! We want to find out more about you, and we want to know just what you think of us! Please take a few moments to fill out and mail in the survey – five respondents will receive a full year's subscription to PATLAR. We look forward to hearing from you!

COVER

Leather couple Terry Hurst (L) and Jake Steuble (R) share a break from their many activities in our community. Both are members of the Sacramento Leather Association, and Jake is a founder of Rainbow Real Estate Professionals as well as Executive Director of Sacramento's Lambda Community Center. This month in Family Matters Jake writes of his experiences coming out to his children.

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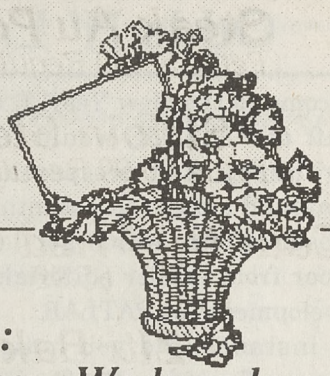

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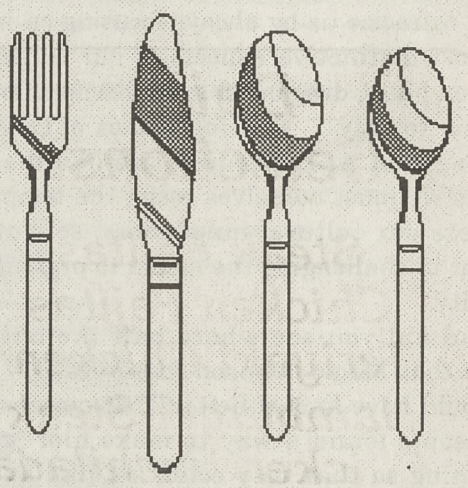

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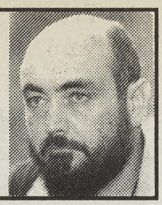

Yours Truly in a Swamp

A funny thing happened in Louisiana, an election. We dodged the bullet, pro-fascist David Duke will not move into the Governor's Mansion. The voters marked a whopping 61% of their ballots for thrice-former Governor Edwin Edwards. He was the candidate tried twice by the "Federals" (but never convicted), and the colorful Cajun with the panache to say in past campaigns "The only way I could lose is if the voters found me in bed with a dead woman or a live boy."

A bumper sticker, from the just ended race, backhandedly supporting Edwin Edwards, flashed around The City that Care Used-to-Forget proclaiming: "Vote For The Crook: It's Important." Surely this is destined to be a collector's item. OK, so we won't live long enough to reap any financial reward. Save the thing, give it to your posterity, Cher, now we have a tomorrow.

And what about all those blue signs with the squat lettering spelling "DUKE" and the similar "NO DUKES" and the scary "'MORE DUKES?" When the millennium ends won't this stuff be worth a good laugh at lawn parties? You say, No?

Well, maybe the election was an ill wind blowing less good than Hurricane Betsey. But, hey, did you catch Edwin Edwards saying, "The only thing David Duke and I have in common is we are both Wizards under the sheets?" Great! I say, if you can't laugh at politicians what good are they?

It seems to me, when the electorate stops laughing at politicians and starts taking them seriously — like Duke — is exactly when you need to start looking for higher ground.

Michael Ferrand at Michael's Bicycle in New Orleans' Faubourg Marigny said, as he tinkered with my ten speed two days before the election, "My grandfather left Germany the day after he shook hands with Goebbels."

He showed me a copy of QUESTION OF ALLEGIANCE by Pierre Ferrand (American Studies Press); it is his Grandfather's personal history. The elder Ferrand had been the first radio ad-man in Germany. He feared first the turn to the right, then the rise of the Nazis, and when they came to power

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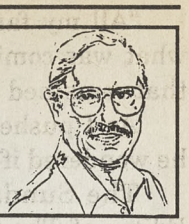
Ralph Walker



...and There Is More!

Why do we feel impelled to "do something" or to do something different, because it is New Year? Surely the motivation is a positive and honorable one. Who amongst us does not have habits of thought or action...acts of omission or commission...about which we feel sadness or regret, about which we might wish some change? Certainly, I acknowledge that I do...many! Yet I do—sometimes reluctantly, even sometimes against great resistance and with struggle—make changes.

I'm sure that I've said before that there is truly no valid reason for any of us wait until the end of one year and the beginning of another to change. Why not change at midnight on any day? Or, better yet, why wait until midnight? If your house is on fire, do you wait until some arbitrary point in time to call the fire department and get out into the street? Or, if your consumption of alcohol is endangering your job—or even your life? Or the pain and continuing anguish you feel at the ruptured relationship that you could heal, with a phone call and a few loving! forgiving words? Or starting an exercise program? Beginning a healthier diet? Or telling someone you love them?

Or—since you will probably be reading this after the celebration of New Year's Eve, what reason do you have to wait for another year before initiating new behaviors; adopting new attitudes; making significant changes? In truth, none! There is a very powerful truism: DO IT NOW!

No need to make every day New Year's; simply let every day be the next day of the rest of your life; THAT is the true meaning of that expression.

"This is it!"

"You are the chooser!"

"Your life can make a difference!"

Just what, then, might you set out to change, and in what kinds of ways?

Any of you who have read me here, or who have known me at all, will know before I say it:

Begin to choose, coming from love, rather than fear. Remember that love is the answer, no matter what the question. Seek the ways that will extend the possibility for love and peace and compassion in

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he left.

"All my family did not see as clearly as he did what was coming. All of them did not leave. Those that remained did not survive the following years."

As I pushed my bike out the door Michael said he wondered if he should think of leaving Louisiana.

The Sunday before that, Keith Woods, City Editor of The Times-Picayune said in an editorial, for all to see: "If a majority of Louisiana voters decide that Duke represents what is truly in their hearts and minds, then I must leave."

Election day the weather warmed to 82°, the sun burned off the morning fog and the choice was so clear it hardly seemed possible anyone could vote for Duke. But over three-quarters of a million people did. That is scary enough, even without his winning.

"Why," asked Duke, and many otherwise good souls, "is it worse, voting for Duke than Bush or Reagan?" Bush's Willie Horton TV-ads carried the same coded message as Duke's. And did democracy greater damage, cynically wedging the electorate apart and legitimizing "double-think." Intolerance became acceptable if we simply said it was not intolerance. Enter, stage right, David Duke, the fascist who says he is not.

Candidates, not on the fringe, abandoned voter education as part of the political process after the "Reagan Revolution." Rather than selling their agenda, most American politicians have been satisfied to entice the voters into their camp, whatever the cost.

The result has been twelve years of boiling frustration among voters who kept electing leaders pitching issues like flag-burning while leading the voter's jobs overseas and heaping blame on "them, the unworthies." Does anyone else realize the Persian Gulf War did little for Americans but close down oil production jobs in Louisiana and Texas? Does anyone at all think shipping jobs to Mexico will help workers in the Rustbelt?

There was much to laugh at in this election, albeit gallows humor. I'll leave you with this one: "If David Duke and Edwin Edwards were in a pirogue that sank over deep water, who would be saved?" Answer: "Louisiana!" Perhaps that should be "Louisiana and the U.S.A.!"

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WALKER Continued

your life and in the lives of those whom you love...and, even more important, seeks for ways that let you act, think, and treat with love even those whom you hate.

THAT can make a profound difference in your life, and, ultimately, can transform this lovely and precious planet into the earthly paradise it was meant to become. RESOLVED: I will do it NOW!

(Ralph is founder of The Loving Brotherhood. He welcomes your comments or questions at PO Box 556P, Sussex NJ 07461)

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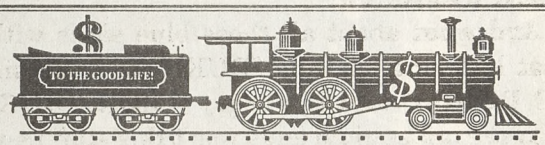

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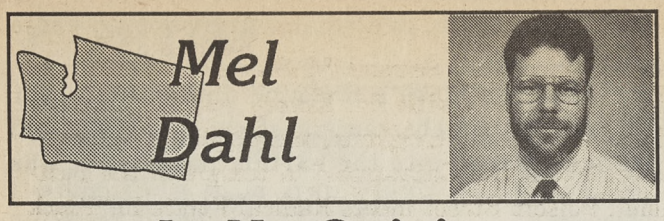

In My Opinion

Mel Dahl is taking a break this month for the holidays and to finish up his law school clerkship.

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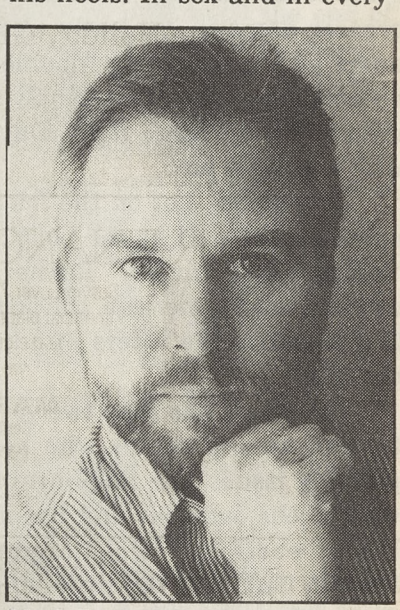
Leather Folk II

Editor's Note: PATLAR is very aware of the stigma and controversy surrounding leather in our community. We have undertaken the publishing of excerpts from "Leather Folk: Radical Sex, People, Politics, and Practices", as well as the following review by our regular book reviewer, in the hopes of bringing Leather more fully out of the closet and fostering reasoned discussion and dialogue. In addition, check Diversions for the debut of a new regular leatherspace column.

A Far Place in the Mind

People who play with power are likely to question it as well, and in S/M play, at least, they often turn the world upside down. So the cop is handcuffed and hangs by his heels. In sex and in everyday life I'm fairly aggressive. But there are times when I want nothing but to give up control: to be willingly weak and willingly subjected to another's will. In a leatherspace created between trusting partners, I can shed my own selves — the Writer, the Fighter, the Lover, and others — and perhaps take the path of pain toward that far place in my own mind which is still unmapped, unnamed, unknown.



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—Scott Tucker

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Leatherfolk
Drew Herzig

Leather-Folk — Radical Sex, People, Politics, and Practice
Mark Thompson, Ed.
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Leatherfolk Continued

It is hard to review this anthology in the space of a short column. S/M is a very controversial topic, and I can neither ignore it nor deal with it adequately here.

Leather-Folk is thoroughly pro-S/M. Articles range from a Jungian approach to gay male initiation to a black lesbian's celebration of her "sado-masochistic soul". Samuel M. Steward talks about his collaboration with Dr. Kinsey way back before black boots were de rigueur, and Gayle Rubin reminisces about the Catacombs, "a temple of the butthole". Folsom Street meets Radical Faerie in "Black Leather Wings" and "I Am The Leatherfaerie Shaman."

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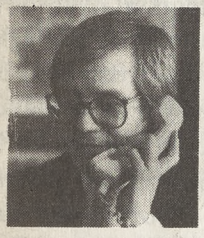

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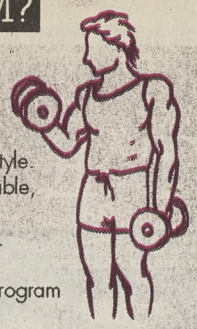

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Leatherfolk Continued

The book is sure to have something for almost any leather or S/M enthusiast. The determinedly revisionist stance of the book is, "It's not our practices, it's your perceptions that are twisted!" Geoff Mains tells us right up front that pain is pleasure. In the pursuit of the endorphin high, S/M ranks right up there with aerobics. Scott Tucker rather naively states, "Power does not corrupt if people play fair." But Thom Magister, in "One Among Many: The Seduction and Training of a Leatherman", one of the truly informative and moving articles, says "What S/M men now call play we called work. And when I am inclined to criticize the current style of S/M I have made the observation that children play and men work."

Carol Truscott declares, "It is...the negotiation preparatory to the new S/M relationship that is the most important gift of contemporary consensual sadomasochism to the larger society." But we learn from Dianna Vesta that "a slave is never allowed to use upper-case letters," so when Carol mentions a part of her personality "called kitty for convenience", we wonder – did she negotiate that lower-case 'k?'

As I said, a short review is not the place to adequately address S/M. As a non-initiate, I was frustrated by the book's lack of an impartial over-view of either the modern leather sub-culture or the age-old S/M labyrinth. As a gay man I was frustrated by the fellow-travelling. S/M is primarily a heterosexual activity. If some gay/lesbian people are drawn to it, does it automatically become part of our liberation agenda? Scarification and clitorectomy are practised in various parts of the world. If gays/lesbians decide to adapt these to their own uses, do they become politically correct?

Essentially, sexual orientation is biological. Sexual practice is cultural. Are we finally mature enough to face up to and evaluate our sexual behavior in human, life-affirming terms, or must it still be, "Because I'm gay, everything I do is O.K.?"

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Coming Out a Second Time

Whether by letter or face-to-face, the words are finally shouted out. "I'm gay!" reverberates throughout the family. Mom and Dad have a gay son, brother and sister have a gay sibling, Wife has a gay husband, children have a gay father. The adjective will always be added, the conditioning "gay" applied, labeling anything and everything you do. You are and will forever be someone else.

And that's fine. You wanted them to know who you are, and now they do. When the turmoil surrounding the initial coming out subsides, the family continues in a new form, adjustments are made. Many gay men never have another coming out experience. There is no need: you've qualified yourself by coming out and need do no more than get on with your life.

But for a small number of gay men involved in S&M, there is a second coming out. Reasons vary, from the politically correct thing to do, "I won't hide who I am", to living in leather, with its black leather uniform and studded accessories. But the result is similar: sexuality is unveiled, its smiling face unacceptable to family and friends. You start your fight for acceptance, but there is a difference in this coming out. You are willing to settle for tolerance, no longer really expecting acceptance.

In day-to-day living, the straight world which surrounds me and in which I live is tolerant at best. It's one thing to be gay, quite another to be sexually "deviant", whether than deviance is perceived as S&M or dressing in drag or a gold hoop earring piercing the left nostril. Within the lesbian and gay community, I expected acceptance. What I found was only tolerance. More often than I like to recognize, I don't even find tolerance. Sexual preference is not sexuality. Sexual preference is something we fight for in unity and howl together in outrage when we don't win a battle. Sexual preference is the first coming out. Sexuality is the second coming out.

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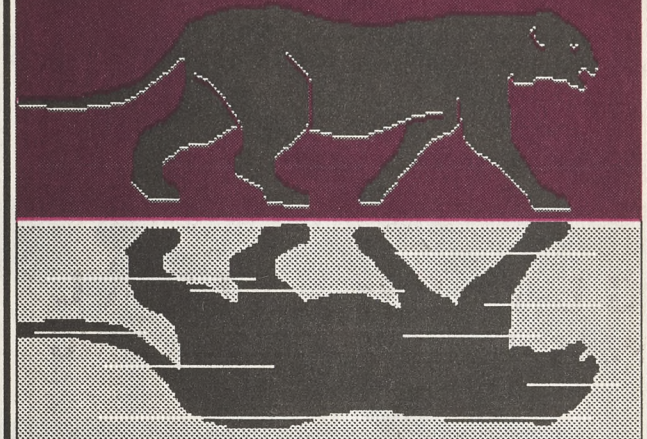

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ety's standards? The buggy whip collection, with no horses in sight, much less a carriage? The thick leather collar padlocked around your lover's neck and the strange assortment of keys clattering on your thick wide belt? The everpresent motorcycle jacket and nonexistent bike? The fat pig on the brow of your rebel cap? Rattling boot chains? Sharp studs on leather bands tied to your arms?

I'm a gay man who believes my S&M sexuality is an essential part of me. If you're going to get to know me, you have to at least tolerate my up front sexuality. You'll have to get used to the looks we get, my lover in his collar and I in my vest, browsing in the produce section at the local store. You'll have to get used to the looks you receive, the questioning glance, the dismissive snoot, just because you're with us. Whether or not S&M is right or wrong isn't the point — it's part of me.

I'm also a gay father. I have two sons, one married and one divorced. From the time they were 7 and 8, they knew me as a gay man and a gay dad. My sexual preference, the first coming out, was an issue as they grew and school friends became more inquisitive. They didn't want to be defined, or limited, much less labeled, by their father's sexual preference. During high school both my sons lived with me and my lover. Our family was normal to us, but we knew we were not a "normal" family in the eyes of the school or the surrounding Central Valley farming community.

When confronted by Dad in chaps, their father's bare ass exposed for the world to see, my sons began to grapple with my second coming out, Dad's sexuality. The old *Taste of Leather* catalog, with pages and pages of dildos: "What's a butt plug?" An issue of *Drummer*: "Slings are on sale, Dad." *DungeonMaster*: "Do you use catheters?" When faced with this department store of sexual activities, adolescent sexuality wants to know. And in detail! "What size dildos do you have?" "Can I borrow your boots, Pop?" "What's a violent wand? Do you have one? Can I use it?" "I like your new harness, Dad. Can I try it on?"

My sons found and established their own sexuality. I like to think they learned something about tolerance and acceptance from me, but I'm waiting to see what their attitudes are like when they have children of their own. I wonder what's it's going to be like to be a Grandpa. Is there another coming out waiting for me, dealing with age or perceived age? Or is coming out a life-long process, not a one time act, which can be a celebration of me?

AIDS Benefit Calendar Makes 1992 Contributions

Contributions totalling $8,500 from the proceeds of the 1992 AIDS Benefit Calendar have been presented to eight AIDS and HIV-related service organizations in three states. Being Alive San Diego received $3000 to present a client Christmas dinner and gift basket program. Special Delivery San Diego received 1000 dollars, and The AIDS Foundation San Diego was given $1000. In addition, Jack's House for People with AIDS in Hampton, Virginia received $500 for total care for one month for several residents, the Bost-on Living Cent-er received $1000, the Minority AIDS Project in Los Angeles will benefit from $500, and $1500 was sent to the AIDS Response Program of the San Diego Lesbian and Gay Men's Community Center.

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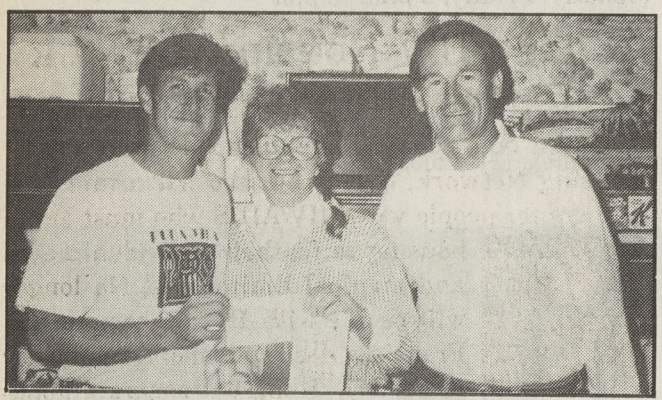
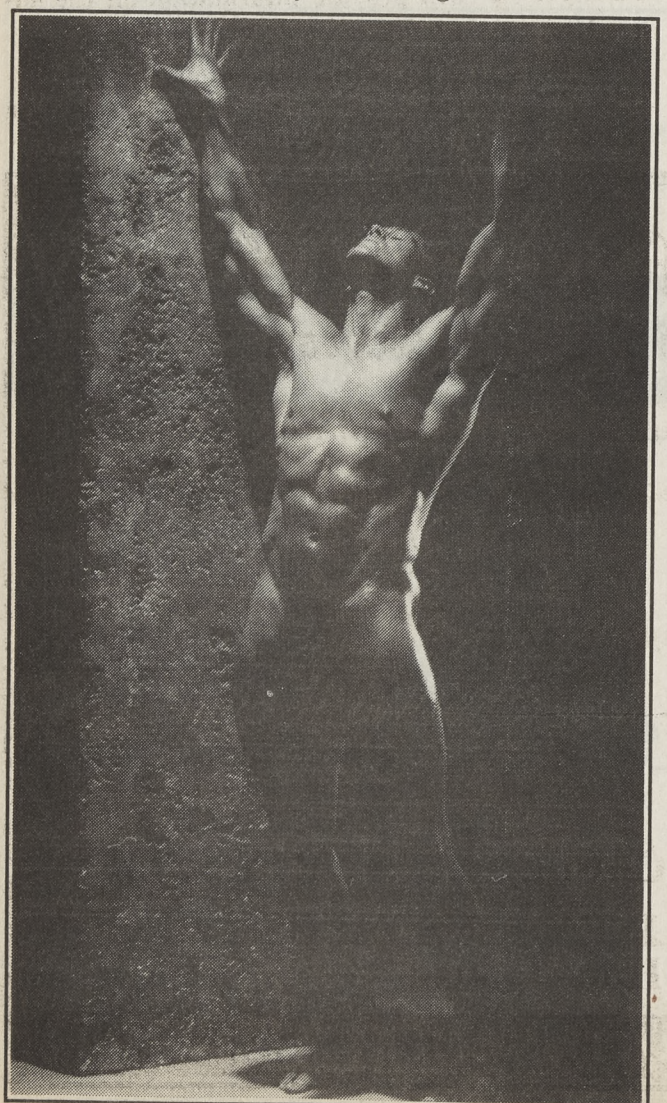


Joe Pascale presents a check from the proceeds of the AIDS benefit calendar to Ruth Henricks and Herm Neely of Special Delivery – San Diego.



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Kyle

Alive & Well

Part Two

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Editor's note: In December Kyle wrote of Dr. Bernie Siegel's workshop Peace, Love and Healing. This workshop gives insights on living and loving with HIV, and urges participants to give themselves "Permission to Live." Here are more comments from Kyle.

A more situation-specific tool that I can personally guarantee you works, if you use it, is to ask yourself these questions and act on the answers:

1. Why do I need this problem?
2. How can I benefit from this?
3. What can this give me permission to do?

The most important point here is that in any given situation or problem ask yourself how you can benefit from it. Be positive. Be creative. Be willing. Take it and turn it around. Given that I have AIDS how can I benefit? I can take the opportunity to do things: travel, read, write, pursue a goal, that I've always wanted to do but have not let myself do or have been afraid to do.

Apply these questions to any situation and you will come out favorably ahead because you will have taken a problem and turned it into an opportunity, thereby solving and dismissing the problem.

I believe that this applies to the prejudices and isms as well. Take coming out of the closet for example. We're in it because of all the negative messages we have received and stored inside of us. The process then becomes much the same. It's about not accepting the prejudices of others but embracing the specialness of who and what you are and bonding with that. You can never feel good about being gay when you're hiding in the closet. When you step out, make friends, give yourself permission to love and be loved the way that's right for you, it will feel so right, so honest and freeing that the prejudices lose their power over you. None of this happens overnight I know, but it can happen every day. First, we have to give ourselves a chance. We have to say yes to ourselves and assertively turn a problem into an opportunity for us and one by one, little by little, day by day, rid ourselves of the negative messages.

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We all seem to like to ask why good things don't happen to us or why do we have to have this problem. The answer is that we're so busy paying attention to the negative or the problem that we leave no room for the positive or the solution. We don't have to have this problem. We will until we turn it around. So don't invest in it. Invest in the solution. I am a gay HIV positive, codependent, adult child, alcoholic, and I could very easily find reason in all of that to give up and do myself in. As I have embraced these they no longer stand in my way; in fact, they have become some of my greatest assets, each a stair to step on and beyond as I continue growing and healing. AIDS is an even more expressive example. I have seen many persons with AIDS with active illness and pain living more happily and more fully than perfectly healthy people I know and than myself for that matter, because they have seized the opportunity and given themselves permission to live each and every day as fully and wonderfully as possible. Believe me, they are not dying. Not for one minute. They're living all the way.

Healing is empowerment because it's all about choice. I cannot change yesterday but I always have the choice to change today. I can choose to live with the problem but the problem will always be there, the psychology of illness, remember, and I will be limited by it or I can choose the opportunity to live in the solution, the art of healing, and the problem won't be a problem anymore.

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Stan Hadden, Community Leader and Legislative Specialist on AIDS Policies, Dies of AIDS-Related Complications

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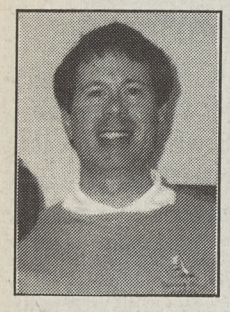

Mr. Hadden, a native of Topinabee, Michigan, served with distinction in the Air Force before joining Senator Roberti's staff. His work regarding AIDS-related legislation and his leadership role on numerous state and local boards on AIDS policies and projects earned him widespread respect as the Legislature's top expert on AIDS policy.

Among Mr. Hadden's many AIDS activities and contributions are the following:

•Developed the One Stop Model Program in Sacramento known as CARES (Center for AIDS Research, Education and Services). This program provides expert treatment and medical AIDS services with the support and coordination of Sacramento hospitals. Most of the clients are indigent.

•Coordinated philanthropic funding of over $2 million to various AIDS community organizations through the state.

•Consulted with Canada, the World Health Organization and other U.S. states in developing health policies and community-based responses for AIDS related health care.

•Helped found the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and served for several years as its Board President.

•Developed legislation (SB 1251, Roberti) in 1985 to establish pilot projects for home health and hospice care, and which created the nation's first AIDS mental health programs.

•Consulted with the American Red Cross developing education components for emergency care workers and AIDS.

Stan's commitment to our community will be sustained in the Legislature by Senator Roberti and by Ken Topper, who will assume Stan's position as consultant. Ken has been Stan's assistant for the past seven years, and he will provide much needed expertise and familiarity with the issues, thereby ensuring that Stan's achievements will be the foundation for even stronger legislation on behalf of lesbians, gays, and all persons living with HIV.

Any donations in memory of Stan Hadden should be made to the Sacramento Regional Foundation, the Stan Hadden CARES Fund, which will provide services for clients at CARES. Their number is (916) 927-2241. Donations can be sent to 1420 River Park Drive, Suite 140, Sacramento, CA 95815.

A memorial service will be held Friday, January 10, 1992 at Saint Francis Church, 1112 26th Street in Sacramento. The service will start at 2 p.m. and plans are underway to plant a tree in Stan's honor in Capitol Park that afternoon.

"Homos, Repent or Die!"

That's the hard-hitting message of Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality's (LIFE Lobby) new campaign—Project 101—to get the word out to gays across California that the right wing will settle for nothing less than death.

In order to get this message across, LIFE Lobby plans to open its doors to individual members in hopes of raising $101,000 in 101 days.

"We desperately need the help of every gay and lesbian in California," said John Duran, LIFE's Southern California Co-chair.

"That's why we are launching LIFE's Project 101 — to raise resources needed immediately."

LIFE AIDS LOBBY

Formed in 1986 as an umbrella organization for other gay groups, the individual members campaign includes full page ads in the gay press outlining the need for money and asking people to join the Lobby's growing network.

In addition to newspaper ads donated by the gay press, LIFE Lobby also is sending out direct mail appeals, having businesses hold fund raisers and seeking major donors.

Once the individual membership is in place, LIFE Lobby hopes to call on the network of people not only for funds but to build on the anger generated by Governor Pete Wilson's veto of AB 101, the gay rights bill.

LIFE Lobby also expects to hire more staff to counter the recent addition of four lobbyists by right-wing Lou Sheldon to his organization. Many see Sheldon as the man who got Wilson to veto AB101, a bill the governor had been expected to sign.

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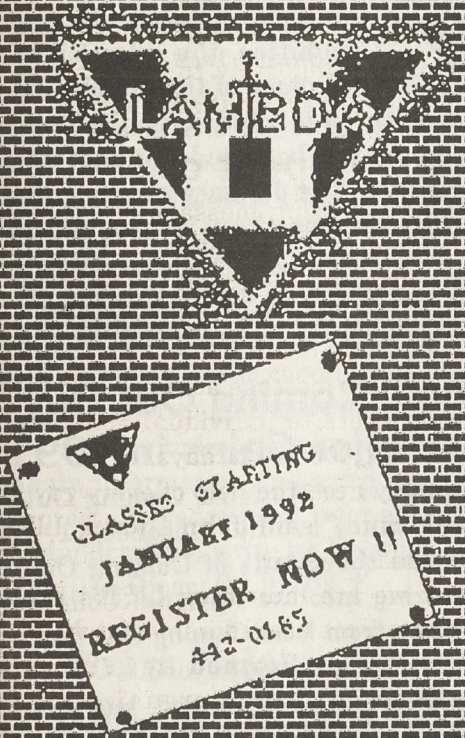

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Sacramento Paper Marks Milestone

Sacramento's *The Latest ISSUE* newspaper, which has been serving the Lesbian and Gay community for over two and a half years, has announced that it is moving into new offices. Located in Midtown at 709 28th Street (G & 28th), the new office space is a further sign of "The Latest ISSUE'S" growth in the community. A grand opening celebration is planned for January 24th at 8 pm.

Organizers to Meet In L.A. for the 1993 March on Washington

March on Washington organizers are meeting in Los Angeles, January 18-19, 1992, for the 4th national planning meeting for the 1993 March on Washington, set for April 25th, 1993. Representatives (4 elected from each of the nation's 17 regions - 68 total) are meeting to make important decisions, including the election of a 9 member Executive Committee, the selection of the official name of the march, and the decision as to which organizations and constituency groups will be included in the National Steering Committee. The January meeting, like all March on Washington meetings, is open and all interested are encouraged to attend. For more information about the meeting's logistics or community housing contact Robin Tyler (818) 893-4075.

National Coming Out Day Makes Major Gains in 1991

Record numbers of National Coming Out Day activities took place around October 11, 1991. Results from the thousands of Coming Out Day events are pouring into the National Coming Out Day headquarters from local Coming Out Day organizers around the country and beyond.

"The results are not yet totalled, but given the information we have, we are certain that the 1991 Coming Out Day events far exceeded those of any prior year", said Lynn Shepodd, Executive Director of the National Coming Out Campaign. "The events varied widely from protest rallies to library displays but all were educational, thought provoking, and energizing. There is new momentum in the gay and lesbian civil rights movement."

Rob Eichberg, Founder and Co-Chair of National Coming Out Day, reminds us: "While National Coming Out Day is an event, it is also an ongoing process. We urge every lesbian and gay man to live with integrity and tell the truth [come out] each and every day until we have eliminated all anti-gay hate crimes, discrimination and bigotry."

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Gay, Lesbian, & Bisexual Business Has a New National Association

A new national association, called The National Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Business Association, dba Network USA, has been developed as an association dedicated to the advancement of the gay, lesbian, bisexual owned and operated businesses across the country. This association is highly committed to the exclusion of no one within that community or the businesses that are supportive of the community. There are currently local and regional associations that are binding the gay and lesbian professional community together, but Network USA is taking on the challenge of providing a network across the entire United States of America

Network USA will be operating from San Diego, California, but plans on press conferences throughout the country in the coming months. Newsletters, computer information systems, mailing lists, directories and annual national conferences will be used to share information and provide a national center of contact. For additional information and membership applications, write to: Network USA, P.O. Box 33733, San Diego, CA 92163.

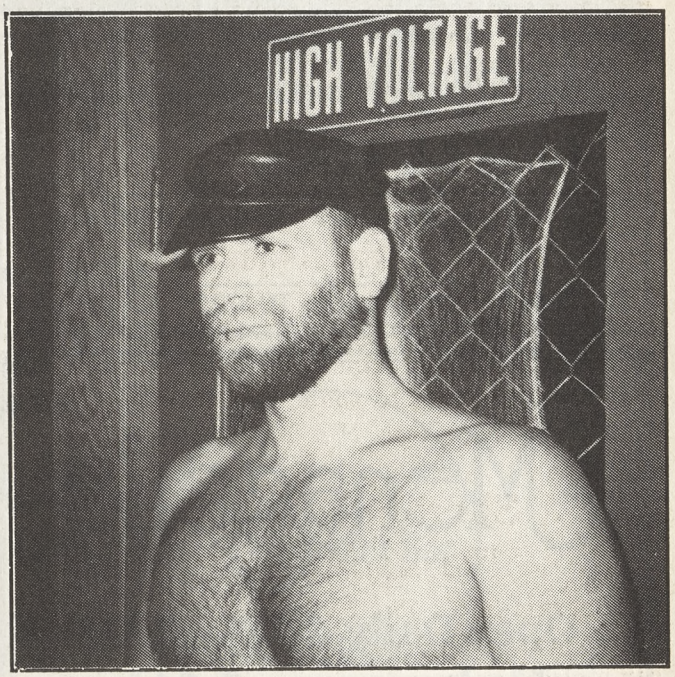
Court Enjoins Concord's Anti-gay Rights Initiative

The Contra Costa Superior Court has issued a preliminary injunction to prevent enforcement of Measure M, the Concord anti-gay rights initiative, until the validity of the measure can be decided by the court. Measure M, which passed by only 42 votes in the November 5 election, repealed portions of the City of Concord's Human Rights Ordinance that prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation. Opponents of Measure M fear that people who live, work, shop, do business, or use services in Concord will be subject to discrimination and harassment on the basis of sexual orientation if the measure goes into effect.

The preliminary injunction was ordered in response to a suit filed on November 20 by the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California and cooperating attorneys from the Walnut Creek office of the law firm of Morrison & Foerster on behalf of several community organizations and Concord residents.

Theatre Rhinoceros Looking for New Work

Theatre Rhinoceros is accepting submissions for a new theatre piece which will explore Gay and Lesbian weddings. The focus of the piece will be on the diverse ways gays choose to commemorate their unions as opposed to their straight counterparts. Short scenes, monologues and songs exploring the subject from different angles may be submitted to Theatre Rhinoceros, The Wedding Project, 2926 16th St, San Francisco, CA 94103. The project will be directed by Paul Sagan and will be workshopped in The Studio Theatre in the spring of 1992. Any questions should be directed to Doug Holsclaw at (415) 552-4100.



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Women Veterans Support Network Formed

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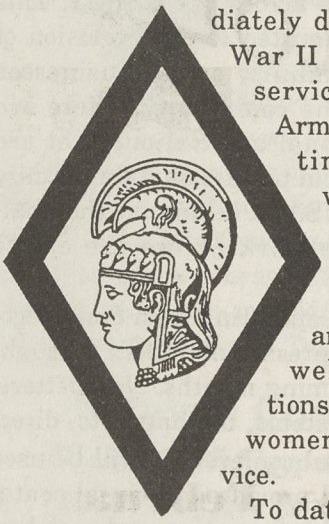
During World War I, a unit of Women Marines was formed to assist with clerical work in Defense offices; when the war ended, the women were immediately discharged. During World War II women were accepted for service by all branches of the Armed Forces and for the first time, women served in a wide variety of job fields in the military. By the end of World War II, the women's contributions and proven ability to work well under adverse conditions led to the continuation of women's branches of each service.



To date, approximately 1.2 million American women have served in our Armed Forces. While immersed in the military sub-culture women have served proudly and with distinction in peace time and in times of conflict.

No matter what era, branch of service, or the length of time spent in the service, every woman who has served in the military has been changed by the experience. When women veterans re-enter the main stream they are thrust from a highly structured environment into a world of endless possibilities and options.

As women veterans, we are aware of a lack of resources specifically designed for women veterans. To help fill the void, we have created the Pallas Athena Network, named after the Greek Goddess of Wisdom, Craft and War whose likeness served as the branch insignia for the Women's Army Corps.

Our bi-monthly publication, "Pallas Athena," provides an open, supportive network environment through which women veterans can discuss issues, thoughts and experiences with other women who share the common experience of military service.

We encourage ALL women veterans to participate, regardless of race, creed, religion or sexual orientation. A special, discreet supplement by/for lesbian veterans is available.

For further information, contact: The Pallas Athena Network, PO Box 1171-T, New Market, VA 22844.

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Lesbian Legal Battle Needs Funds

Wages Due Lesbians is fundraising for a lesbian woman teacher in London, England. who has been the target of an attempt by school authorities to implement Section 28 of the Local Government Act, a law passed in Britain in 1988. Section 28 outlaws any positive discussion of homosexuality in schools, and condemns lesbian and gay families as "pretended" family relationships.

Section 28 has immediate implications for us in the U.S. The fight over funding and censorship in lesbian/gay art is one example of the political climate being imposed by U.S. authorities to crack down on lesbian/gay communities. If the British government succeeds in enforcing Section 28, it will set a precedent for the U.S. government to attempt similar legislation here.

Wages Due Lesbians is circulating information about this case because similar harassment of lesbian teachers and repression and violence against the lesbian and gay community generally in the U.S. is on the rise.

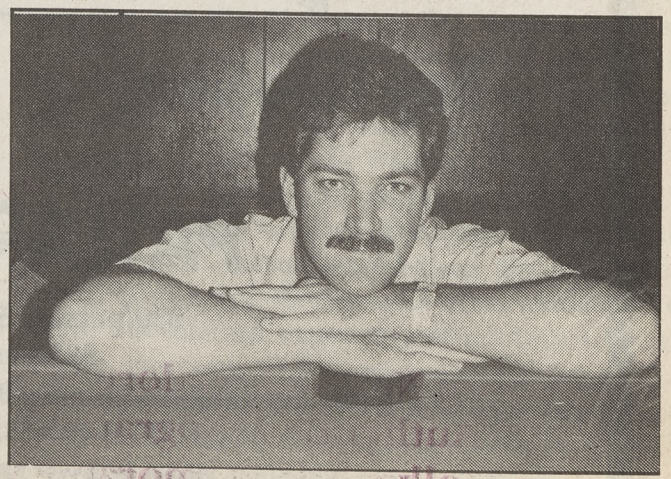
Wages Due Lesbians (WDL), an independent organization of lesbian women, with groups in Philadelphia, San Francisco, and London, has been working with Legal Action for Women(London), a grassroots legal service, on the teachers' defense and are fundraising to cover the legal costs. Please give generously to this fundraising appeal. All contributions will be gratefully received and they will be kept anonymous if you wish. Please make checks payable to Women In Dialogue, attn: Teachers' Fund, PO Box 14512, San Francisco, CA 94114 or call (415) 558-9628.

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Seek PSA Volunteers

Families of gay men, lesbians, and bisexuals proclaiming their love for all their family members will appear in a groundbreaking public service announcement currently in production, according to Tom Sauerman, P-FLAG Executive Director.

Volunteers are needed to assist local P-FLAG chapters in placing the PSAs on local television stations nation-wide. Volunteer team members and team leaders need not have media experience—a willingness and desire to influence their local stations to air the PSA are all that is required. Distribution of the PSA will begin in March 1992, and may require a commitment of several weeks or even months in order to persuade some stations to air the spot.

Readers are invited to apply to serve on media teams by February 1, 1992. For more information write to: PSA Director, Federation Parents FLAG, 1012 14th Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20005.



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Muse News

It is the (western) New Year, with, perhaps, new resolutions to complement those weakened or broken during the holidays due to family stressors, overabundance, and transition anguish. If you are not peaceful and energetic this time of year, then you might consider contacting Barbara Robbins for information about her healthful nutritional program: 700 Levering #7, Los Angeles CA 90024 or (213) 824-1916. How about an anti-PMS herbal product? Raven Cove Enterprises, P.O. Box 1673, West Babylon NY 11704 or (516) 226-7967. For more general herbal nourishers: Whitefeather, Box 1426, Olivebridge NY 12461 or (914) 657-2943.

Did you see Holly Near on LA Law? Not only has this series flirted with lesbianic love (remember CJ?), but the 11/7/91 episode showcased the charismatic singer in yet another storm. Holly played a

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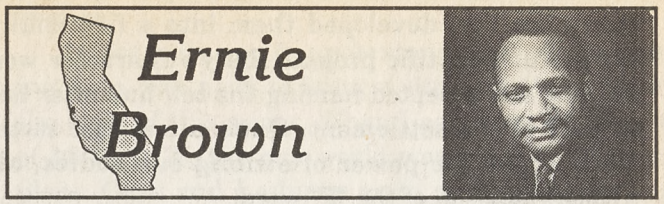

Views From River City

There are two days about which nobody should ever worry and those are yesterday and tomorrow. We already know what our yesterdays were. I truly hope your holidays were great. I enjoyed mine. There was no reason why anyone should have gone hungry. Thanks to all of the bars: there was something going on on every night during the holidays. A special thanks to Bobbette at the Merc and Patrick and Loretta at the Western for their wonderful spread they put out for Christmas. Everyone that participated should be congratulated.

Larry LaKish's drive for toys (out of Santa's closet) was highly successful. Over $1,200 worth of toys were donated. Bobbette and Ernie's food drive for MCC at the Merc also turned out great—about $1,000 worth of groceries were donated. And we, too, thank you for your donation.

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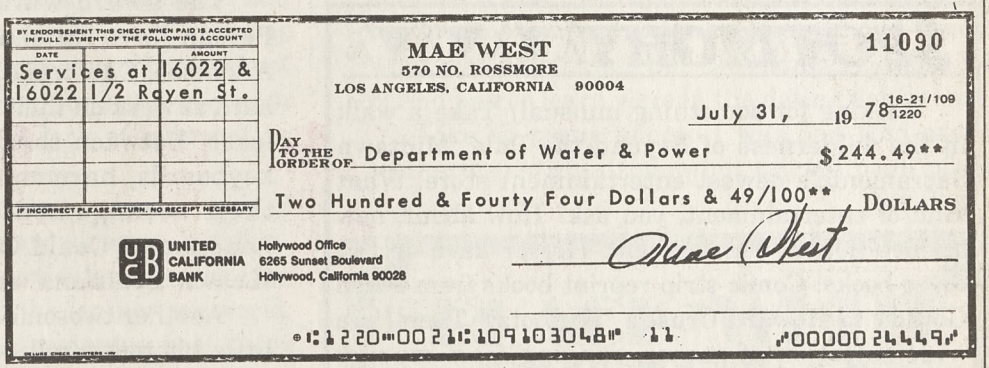

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woman suing her physician following surgery in which he removed cells from her body and, without informing her, developed them into a financially successful scientific project. Holly's character won the suit and accepted naming the cell line after her as part of the settlement. Quite a feminist statement about the power of owning our bodies, all without mention of the "F" word.

Two pieces of global good news: the activist organization International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) has been granted official United Nations status. Amnesty International (AI) has adopted jailed and/or tortured lesbians and gays as "prisoners of conscience" and targets for AI intervention. Women are doing some of this ourselves: the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) empowers women to work for an end to violence and for the equality of all people. Write 1213 Race Street, Philadelphia PA 19107 or call (215) 563-7110. The Feminist International Radio Endeavor (FIRE) is requesting tapes from women about events. For more info, WINGS, P.O. Box 5307, Kansas City MO 64131 or (816) 361-7161.

Along the same lines, Shirley Staten has a dream — of an international women's choir. In 1986, she travelled to the Soviet Union as part of Performing Artists for Peace and was stunned to learn that many Soviets had never seen a black person before. Shirley hopes that her current project, the One World/One People International Women's Choir will tour in 1993, with an uplifting message of peace. To make a donation write IWC, 200 West 34th Street #210, Anchorage AK 99503 or call Shirley at (907) 272-1307.

Other messengers: Lily Tomlin was in Ernestine drag for the San Francisco premiere of her new film, "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe." The film makes use of Lily's prodigious talents as character actor and mime to bring us women's visions from the street, from the boudoir, and from the heart. Though author Jane Wagner, also Lily's long-term partner, remains minimized in the homophobic Hollywood eye, Lily has been appearing at AIDS benefits and was quoted as saying "I've been a public person for over 20 years and never dated boys." A closeted lesbian is a terrible thing to waste.

Consummately out lesbian leader Robin Tyler has put a new twist on an old thing. First there were women's music festivals, then women's cruises. Now, thanks to Robin, you can join Lesbian and Gay Ski Week en masse. Billed as the premier Winterfest Celebration, her 7-day women's trip provides room and board, plus a full schedule of before- and apres-ski activities. Dates are Saturday January 25 through Saturday, February 1, 1992. Write Robin Tyler Productions, 15842 Chase Street, Sepulveda CA 91343 or phone (818) 893-4075.

The award-winning Lana Puckett and Kim Person have finished a winter tour to Arizona, Arkansas, California, and Tennessee. They are now hard at work on their new record, slated for 1992 release. Between them, Lana and Kim play banjo, keyboards, harmonica, acoustic/lap steel guitar; their arrangements of such classics "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry," "Say You Love Me," and "Leavin' Louisiana" are truly innovative.

Another twosome - also a little bit country and a little bit rock'n'roll — is Pam and Maggie. Having already earned respect by lasting (so far) for 6 years in a personal and a musical relationship, Pam Briggs and Maggie Beck made a professional debut with their songs featured in Maile Klein's instructional video on line dancing ("Country Attitude"). Pam and Maggie are now focused on their new album project, following a fall/winter of touring through the West Coast and on a Mexican Riviera cruise. If you are interested in investing in their album, please contact Judith Abeles at (619) 284-0061 or send $8.95 (CS) or $13.95 (CD) to 729 Chestnut Street, Escondido CA 92025.

As always, please send your muse news to Lady Phoenix Productions, PO Box 207, Alameda CA 94501 or call (510) 273-9496.

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Justin

LeatherSpace

Whips, chains, masters, slaves. leather. These words bring an incredible variety of images to the mind. To some these words, and others that go with them, bring thoughts of horror and disgust, of unsafe and insane people doing unmentionable and forbidden things to each other. To others these words bring thoughts of fantasy and flesh, of men in leather harnesses and skin tight pants sweating in dark rooms. In most cases both of these groups have one thing in common, a lack of knowledge and understanding. But to a third group, those who have shared in the ritual of leather sex and the leather lifestyle, these words bring a smile of past experiences and the delight of body and soul at the thought of journeys yet to come.

In the gay and lesbian world it is fairly easy for most of us to at least understand the desire to do drag, or flame, or camp, even if we don't agree with it or have the desire to do it ourselves. The gay community is a marvel of diversity: it is one of our greatest strengths, but sadly it can be one of our greatest weaknesses. We spend so much time and energy trying to educate the straight world about us that sometimes we forget to look at another side of our own world. Another problem for some who wish to seek out this diversity is a lack of information and sources of education.

In the following series I hope to educate some of you and give others a few new ideas or insights. Each article will address a particular issue or idea having to do with leather and the leather sex world. It is important to note at the beginning that there are the severe fringe elements in every group, those factions that are into unsafe and questionable actions. These areas will be talked about, but from a safety point of view not a participating one. We will talk about leather clothing and attitude, bondage, electricity, toys, sadism, masochism, whips, chains, and several other areas, as well as wonderful toys that you already have at home and don't even know it. Always from a safe, sane, and educated point of view.

I guarantee that some of these articles will shock you. I also guarantee that a great deal of them will make you go Hmmmm.

In any case, even if these articles don't make you want to run right to the nearest leather store you will find some ideas to spice up your sex life. So explore the fantasy and learn about the reality of leather.

In order for you to understand where I am coming from, you need to know a little bit about me at the start of this series. When I came out at the age of 16 in 1975, the gay world was a much different place. Gays and Lesbians were really just starting to flex their public independence. In the pre-AIDS era the clap and crabs were about the worst you could get. Multi-person parties were common, and sex, drugs, and rock & roll was the rule. The only times the words safe and sex went together was in how many times you could do it it one weekend and live to tell about it. I was fortunate to grow up in Seattle where the Gay community was very much like a several thousand member family. Even more so I have been fortunate enough to work or visit 48 states in the U.S. and 17 different countries, so I have had the chance to see and experience the Gay world in many places.

For the first ten years of my gay life I was fairly typically mainstream. I bar and bed hopped for the first three years and then met a wonderful guy my age named John who became my love and my life for the next seven and a half years. In 1985 my world collapsed when John was killed in a car accident, and for the next year I found that the Gay world had undergone some real changes. During my time with John we were active in the goings on in the gay movement, so I was involved and aware of what was happening, but the changes I didn't know of and had to learn were in the dating department.

Like so many people I was one who saw the leathermen with a somewhat tainted point of view.

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Los Angeles

Recently someone wrote to us and asked which cities have edifices worth visiting. Whenever we think of large, unusually impressive buildings that one can *visit*, we consider some of the nation's City Halls, many of which offer free tours to the public during working hours. Three that come to mind are Buffalo, Baltimore and Philadelphia. Chicago offers a City Hall that is an architectural feast for the eyes, but alas...no public tour. But in our opinion, the most famous City Hall in the West (and most impressive) is located in good old Los Angeles, and if

you make a reservation [(213) 485-2121] you will be taken on one of the best VIP tours in California.

Tours begin at the Information Center in the East Lobby, located on the third or Spring Street floor. The ceiling over the East Lobby, by the way, was done by Anthony Heinsberger and offers a stunning display of the signs of the Zodiac as well as the inscription, "The masters of education hold in their hands the future of the world". The floor of the rotunda is a 135 ft. circle which contains 4,156 inlaid pieces of marble that represent 46 varieties. In the center is a replica of a Spanish caravel that plied into California ports between 1542 and 1800. The walls of the rotunda are French limestone. All in all it is pretty impressive.

Our favorite room at the L.A. City Hall was the Tom Bradley room which is filled with gifts and toys the Mayor has received during his tenure. Definitely plan to visit City Hall before next November. The conventional wisdom has it that when Bradley is out this room will very likely be closed to the public.

While you are visiting downtown L.A. check out the Wells Fargo Museum which is in the company's headquarters, located at Fifth and Flower Streets. This free museum is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays, and it offers a truly excellent film on the history of Wells Fargo. While Sacramento, San Francisco and San Diego all have small Wells Fargo Museums, the one in L.A. is the one to see.

We also found it interesting that although a recent article in Travel and Leisure Magazine about Los Angeles made no mention of either the Wells Fargo Museum or City Hall, it did have something to say about Le Parc Hotel, even showing a photograph of the roof top spa and suggesting one should grab a swim at twilight, after the crowds had left.

Do you know the secret of Le Parc? If not, we are about to give you the scoop, but...shhhh...keep it a secret, OK? This beautiful mini-suite hotel, located in the West Hollywood area, has to be America's ritziest closeted gay hotel. No

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We have been getting a lot of inquiries lately about travel abroad, which we don't really recommend as we find it to be a little too pricey at this time. For instance, are you aware that a new 1992 3-month Eurorail Pass is now over $1100? Not the great deal it used to be, anymore! What we are suggesting, however is for male readers of Patlar to get to know the Europeans on a more personal level by joining International Gay Penpals (IGP), where you will find more than 300 listings representing gay men from England, France, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Australia, India, Thailand and Japan as well as from the USA and Canada. This is a unique way to begin valuable and rewarding friendships and possibly integrate a forthcoming summer vacation. Those men interested should send a stamped self-addressed envelope to IGP, Ste 320, Box 7304, North Hollywood, CA 91603.

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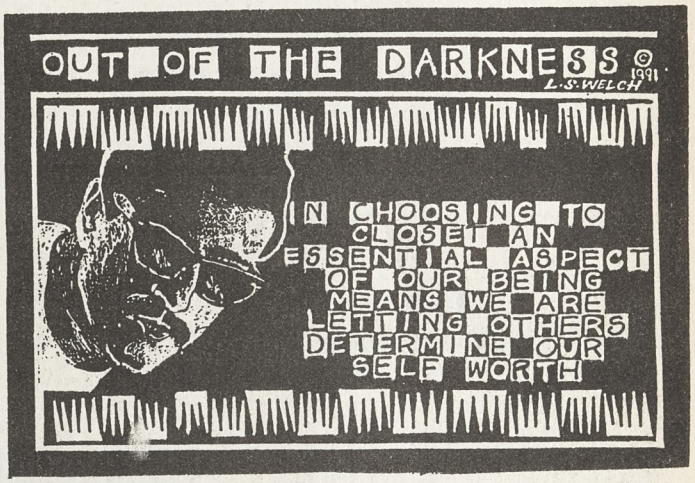
kidding...Travel & Leisure was 100% correct about the crowds at the pool and tennis area. During our stay at Le Parc we saw quite a few really good looking men going at it (spa-ing 'n sporting, that is) with furious passion in the wee small hours. Of course, Le Parc is known to attract many film and record industry types, and we were there during the Academy Awards, so we may never know who we really saw at the spa.

At one time Le Parc Hotel was an apartment building; now it has been smartly refurbished and divided into several roomy mini-suites, each one being a split-level studio, made up of a bedroom and well equiped bathroom on the upper level and a living room with electric fireplace, a kitchenette and a tiny balcony on the lower level. Designer toiletries in the bathroom and a complimentary fruit basket upon arrival in your suite are other indicators that you have hit upon a very high quality establishment when you book into Le Parc. It is, after all, part of the world famous L'Hermitage chain, and weekday rates can be rather pricey, going well above $200 per night. But when you compare it to the widely acclaimed Beverly Hills Hotel, where a comparable room will run over $500 per night, and you weigh in other positives such as the fact that it has a somewhat retreat-like setting, being placed on a side street off the main drag of Santa Monica Blvd., and it is (to say the least) gay-friendly, it suddenly becomes a hechuva deal for a weekend when rates run about $110. We consider Le Parc to be the Rolls Royce of closeted gay/lesbian (friendly) hotels. If there is a more sophisticated place in North America we sure have not as yet found it. For more information call them toll-free at (800) 442-4443 or (213) 855-8888. Ask about supersaver weekend rates. You may be pleasantly surprised at what you can have if you act like you are a repeat customer.

If you are unfamiliar with what is available in L.A. for you to explore, we suggest you get a copy of the Los Angeles guidebook by writing to the Los Angeles Convention & Visitors Bureau at 515 Figeroa Street or call (213)624-7300 for a copy of this 80 page informative booklet.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IN CHOOSING TO CLOSET AN ESSENTIAL ASPECT OF OUR BEING MEANS WE ARE LETTING OTHERS DETERMINE OUR SELF WORTH

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SO, WHY DO YOU WANT TO DUMP EVIN AND GO OUT WITH STRAIGHT GUYS? WHAT'S THE MATTER, YOU DON'T LIKE FAGS?
FUNNY.
HOW DO I EXPLAIN?
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...I WANT TO HAVE AN INDISCRETION WITH A MARRIED FATHER OF FOUR AND HIS BURLY BROTHERS!
I WANT EVERY MAN THAT BRUCE WEBER EVER PHOTOGRAPHED TO RAPE ME ON A POOL TABLE IN SOHO WHILE THE MEMBERS OF TWO RIVAL FRATERNITIES HOLD A CIRCLE-JERK ON MY FACE.
WELL!
I WANT A THREE-WAY IN LATEX WITH CONVENTIONEERS FROM GREECE!
DIG?
SURE. YOU WANT EXCITEMENT AND TROUBLE; DANGER AND INTRIGUE!
YES!
YOU WANT DARK AND THREATENING; EXOTIC AND ELUSIVE!
YES!
YOU WANT TO BE SUBMISSIVE, TO WORSHIP AT THE ALTAR OF MASSIVE MASCULINE MANLINESS!
THAT'S RIGHT!
YOU HAVE PROBLEMS DEALING WITH YOUR HOMOSEXUALITY.
OOOP!

Lisa J. Slayton

The Value of Waves

I value waves -
surges
curls
reaching
I collect waves -
pushes
thunders
touching

- How easily
how very tenderly
they tease
wave upon wave they fill -

I consume waves -
deluges
swells
spreading
I become waves -
drenches
ebbs
surrendering

- How easily,
how very tenderly
they tease
wave upon wave
they fill -

Dream I

Anticipation raises our outcry
it echoes into the night.
Slowly the tip of my tongue reaches
your inner thigh.
There are no sweeter dreams,
I close my eyes...I've touched the sky.
Tiny beads of sweat gather,
our bodies entwine—ecstasy unmatched.
And now you touch me, mouthing words of love.
Speech has become an impossibility.
Together we can now face reality.
The sunrise has chased away the darkness,
finding us finally alone and in love.
—*S.M. Lane*

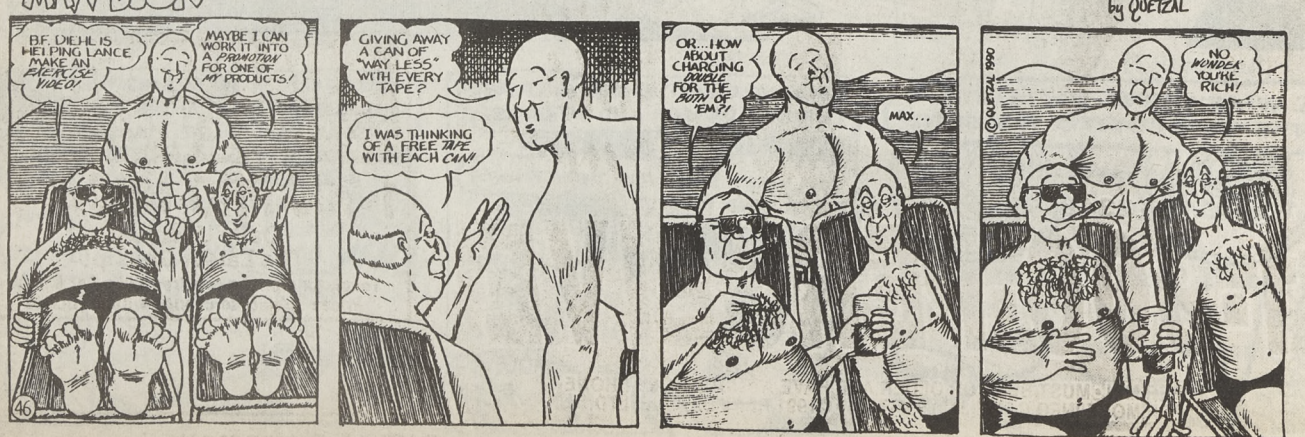
Michael R. Gorman

A Retort From a Gentle-By-Nature But Presently-Pissed-Off Radical Faggot Poet

Dear, dear Reverend Sheldon,
Relax.

Put your feet up.
Take a break.
I would not sodomize
Your fundamentalist boys
If they
Were the last assholes
On earth.

MAX BUCK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MAYBE I CAN WORK IT INTO A PROMOTION FOR ONE OF MY PRODUCTS!
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GIVING AWAY A CAN OF "WAY LESS" WITH EVERY TAPE?
I WAS THINKING OF A FREE TAPE WITH EACH CAN!
OR...HOW ABOUT CHARGING DOUBLE FOR THE BOTH OF 'EM?!
MAX...
by QUETZAL
NO WONDER YOU'RE RICH!
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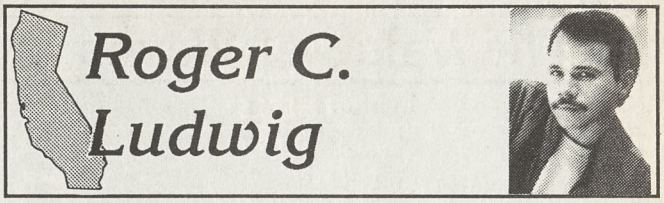
JUSTIN Continued

While I admired the hunks in harnesses, I could never imagine getting into it at all. When Halloween 1985 was approaching I was trying to figure out a costume. I figured that if I ever wanted to try leather what better time than Halloween?

I went to three lesbian friends who were into leather and between them was able to borrow enough to make an outfit. The reaction I got stunned me. People who never even knew I was alive and whom I never considered approachable were hitting on me. People that I had known for years as casual bar friends were hitting on me. And the funniest part is people that I would cross to the other side of the street to avoid now crossed to avoid me. I learned that night what was meant by the leather attitude. I learned that the vast majority of leather men and women were in costume, so to speak, all year long.

The next day I went to a leather store and began the process of building my leather wardrobe. To say the least, leather is the most expensive look you can get into. A fully dressed leatherman can easily be wearing $2000. If you have a playroom or dungeon you can easily be out another three to five thousand dollars more and then there's the motorcycle if you really take the plunge. But before you run and hide your wallet, you can also easily start for just a few dollars and go from there.

In the next article I will explore leather from a buying standpoint, so until then be happy and safe and try it in leather.



Poetry

The Raggedy Man

Wrinkles of rigid anger.
Cardboard blanket,
Pint at his side,
He howled out his rage.
"I hate today."
"I hate Christmas."
"I hate everyday."
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Held no room for sympathy.
With reamed eyes we watched,
Then walked on.

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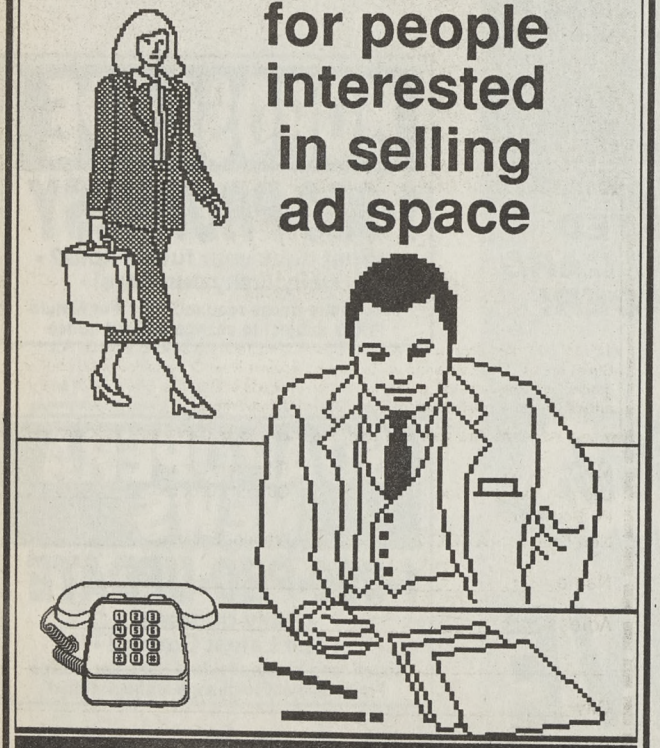

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Philip Spotts

Music!

Take a handful of youthful energy, toss in some good old street attitude, a dash of swagger, a whole lotta buzz, and, for that extra kick, some super funky horns. Shake, rattle, and roll and you've got White Trash, a band which exploded out of the garages and clubs of Queens, New York to serve up their soulful kickass sound that is guaranteed to make you hungry for more.

Their Elektra Entertainment debut, produced by George Drakoulias (of Black Crowes fame) with album artwork by Mad Magazine illustrator Jim Davis, shows why this group of newcomers has their own no-holds-barred way with funk and rock. From the raunchy romp of "Backstage Pass," to the biting commentary of "Prayer B4 Pizza," the sonic slam of "The Crawl," or the funkified snarl of "Apple Pie," White Trash is making the kind of good time music that gets you on your feet and moving!

The group, which consists of Aaron Collins on bass, big brother Ethan on guitar, drummer Mike Caldarella and singer Dave Alvin, all grew up in the same neighborhood and have played together since junior high. Dave, whose raspy high octane sound fuels White Trash, got his love of music from his uncle.

White Trash wasted no time in establishing themselves on the New York hard rock circuit, a circuit they entered as a goof. "There was this lame place out on Long Island that anybody could play and we did and it went well, so we said why don't we really do this." That "what the hell" attitude si how they got their moniker.

"We had the gig and we didn't even have a name. I had this song — "Po' White Trash" (which is on the debut and whose title was suggested by Dave's dad) so we said that's the name of our band."

Remember them; you will. "Basically what makes a great band is a bunch of people working together," said Dave. "We all work together really good, and we all have a lot of fun doing it."

Are you ready to take out the trash? Check out White Trash.

Send records, tapes, CDs, and videos to Philip Spotts, PO Box 2416, Durango, CO 81302-2416 for possible review in my very next column. We've moved and are no longer in Arizona so please change your address books.

River City Democratic Club's Festive Holiday Party

Ralph Rodriguez of RCDC and Ray Luna of State Controller Gray Davis' office greet Santa (Randy Cheek).

Photo by Martin Casey

RCDC members Joan Stoner and Karl Greene join Santa for Christmas caroling.

Photo by Martin Casey

BROWN Continued

Terry Sidee, you outdid yourself this time! Your formal buffet was great. Buffalo Club, you did it up right, too! The Wreck Room is still going strong. Their Sunday pigout is bigger and better than ever and their monthly bare chest contests are always successful and hot!

Congrats to Lady Garnet and company on an entertaining Christmas party at Joseph's Town and Country.

Here are a few things coming up for enjoyment. On January 19th LaKish is throwing an auction at the Merc to benefit the Fairy Godfathers. If you have something laying around the house, bring it to the auction. Your junk could be someone else's masterpiece!

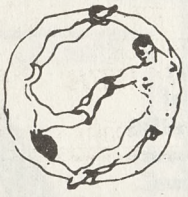
Appearing again at the Townhouse lounge January 19th is Linda Snooks! So, you still have time to see her. She is an experience.

Here is a trip you shouldn't miss. Presenting Ernie Brown's and Jerry Barnes Great Getaway (First) for 92. San Diego Valentine's love or lust weekend from February 14th to 16th. Three days, two nights, air, hotel (The Raddison), transfers, receptions, parties, $145 per person. Double occupancy. $50 deposit required to hold space; limited space available. See Ernie Brown at the Mercantile for more information or call 447-0792 or 447-0896. If you missed Las Vegas, don't miss this one.

Here's a little info here for you: our Aunt Rose is mending quite well. Thanks for your prayers, we almost lost her, but she is a tough old bird.

Finally, I got a call from Anna Harrison and Doctor Elizabeth Harrison (in Minnesota)! They are fine, just cold!! They wish everyone a merry holiday.

The Loving Brotherhood



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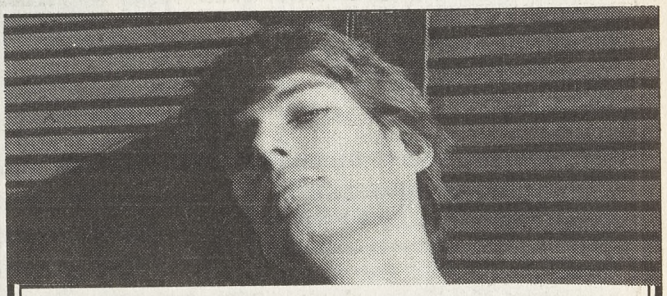

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"Homos, repent or die"

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FIRST THE AB 101 VETO, NOW Lou Sheldon, the Traditional Values Coalition, announces he's expanding his forces in Sacramento to FOUR lobbyists.

Now these religious supremacists outnumber us 4 to 1 in lobbyists... and 10 to 1 in money.

Yep. They're gearing up for next steps on their frightful agenda of hate. First the veto, then stop AIDS funding, mandate testing and quarantine, reinstate the sodomy laws... in short, deny our right to exist anyway they can. It's all one issue to them. And they're ready to make the voice of hate and bigotry heard.

LIFE Lobby is here in Sacramento to respond. We must respond. But we desperately need your help. Our AB 101 grassroots campaign brought in over 100,000 postcards and letters of support... but we can't even afford a single Action Alert mailing to you — or any of the hundreds of thousands like you who really care.

When *you* respond *we* have the power to stop *them*. Look what we did last year: With your postcards, we killed a mandatory quarantine bill for people with HIV ...killed a censorship bill designed to eliminate the words "homosexual" and "gay" and "lesbian" in public schools ...killed the "manifesto" bill of religious supremacists who want to legislate us out of existence altogether. And we got AB 101 through the legislature.

> "If they [homosexuals] don't repent, the Bible says that they ought to be put to death. It's just a matter of what God says."
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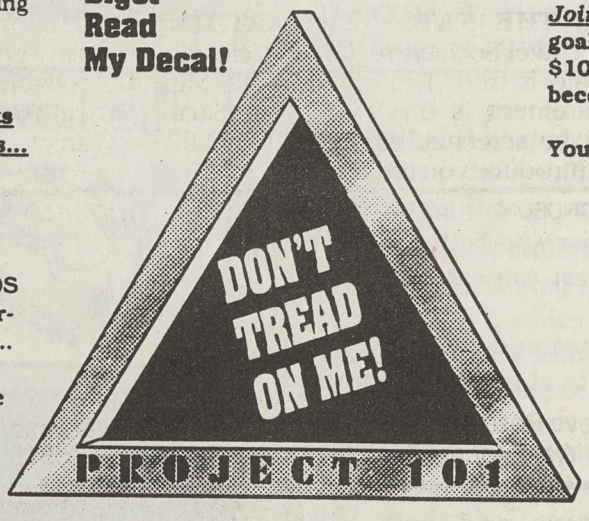
> — *Rev. Leonard Coppes, 1991*

Bigot — Read My Decal!



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***Join today in PROJECT 101...* our goal, our immediate need: raise $101,000 in 101 days. Join and become a LIFE SUPPORT activist.**

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SIERRA FOOTHILLS AIDS FOUNDATION case management, emotional & practical support can now be accessed thru 1-800-655-2437 for information and service to those infected with HIV.

OPEN ARMS COMMUNITY CHURCH a non-denominational church for all lifestyles now meets on Sunday, 7PM at Faith Lutheran Church 4930 Newanga Ave, Santa Rosa. Rev. John I. Torres, Pastor. Call 707-546-8106 for information. [24AS]

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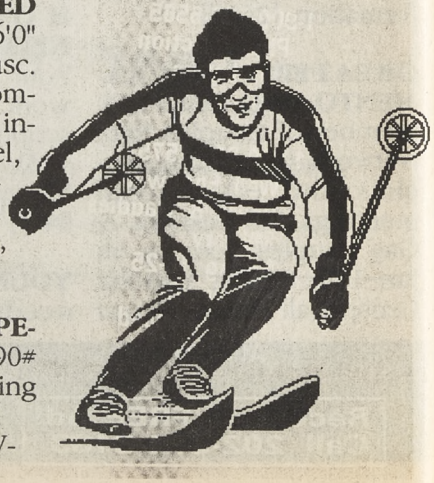

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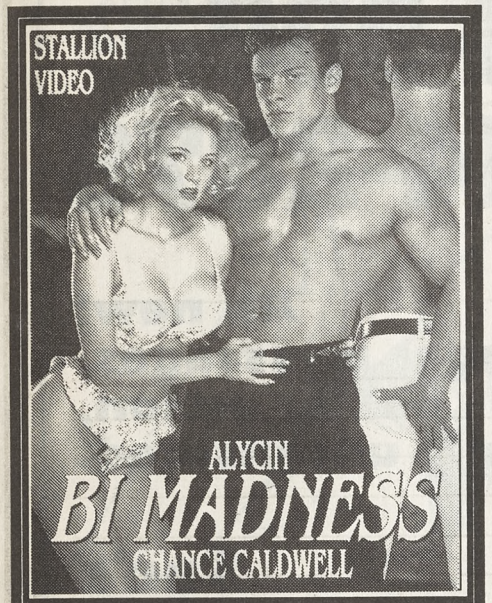

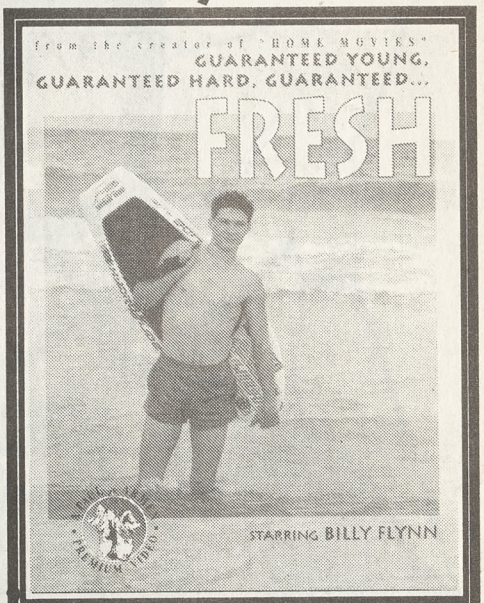

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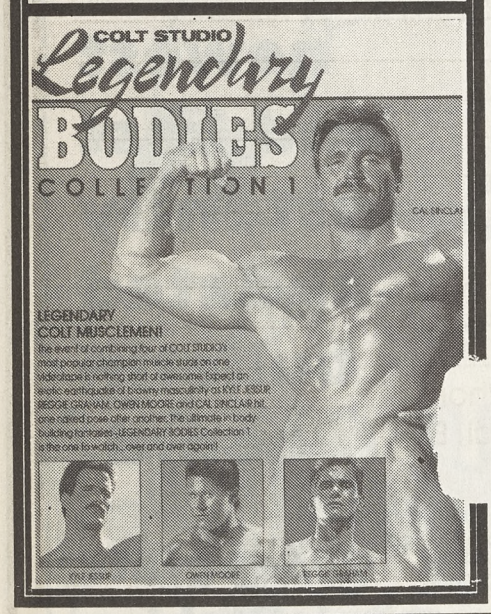

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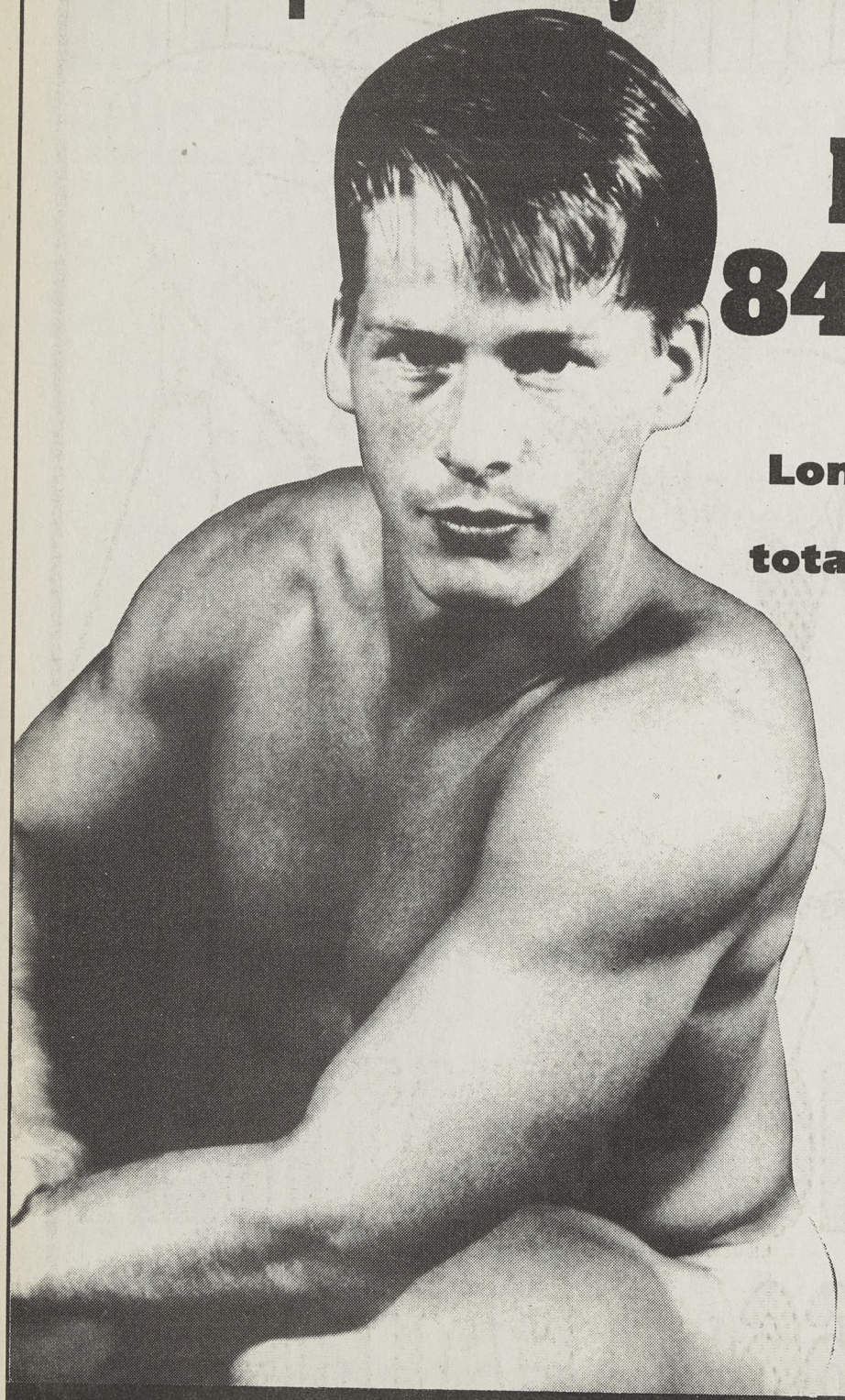

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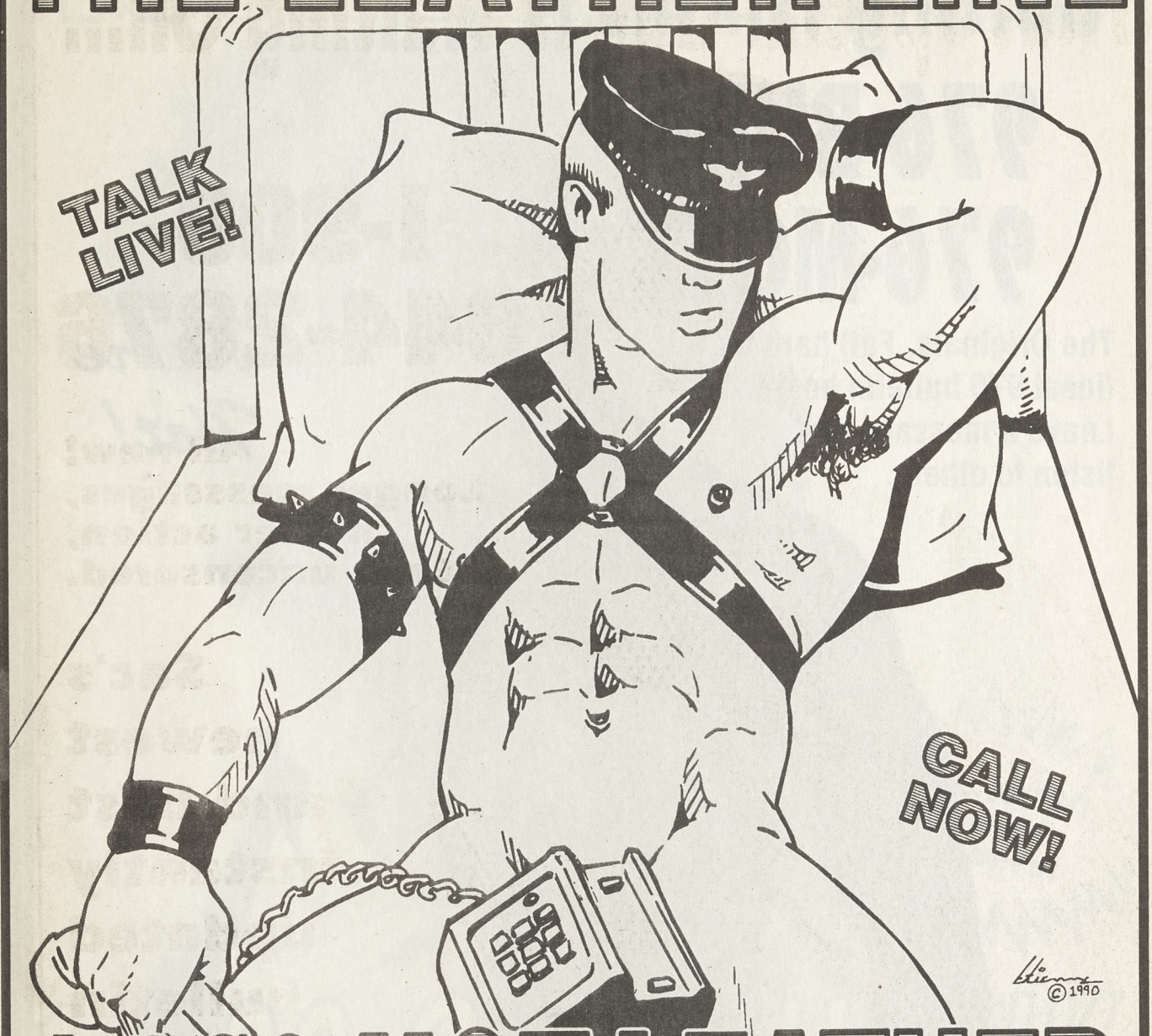

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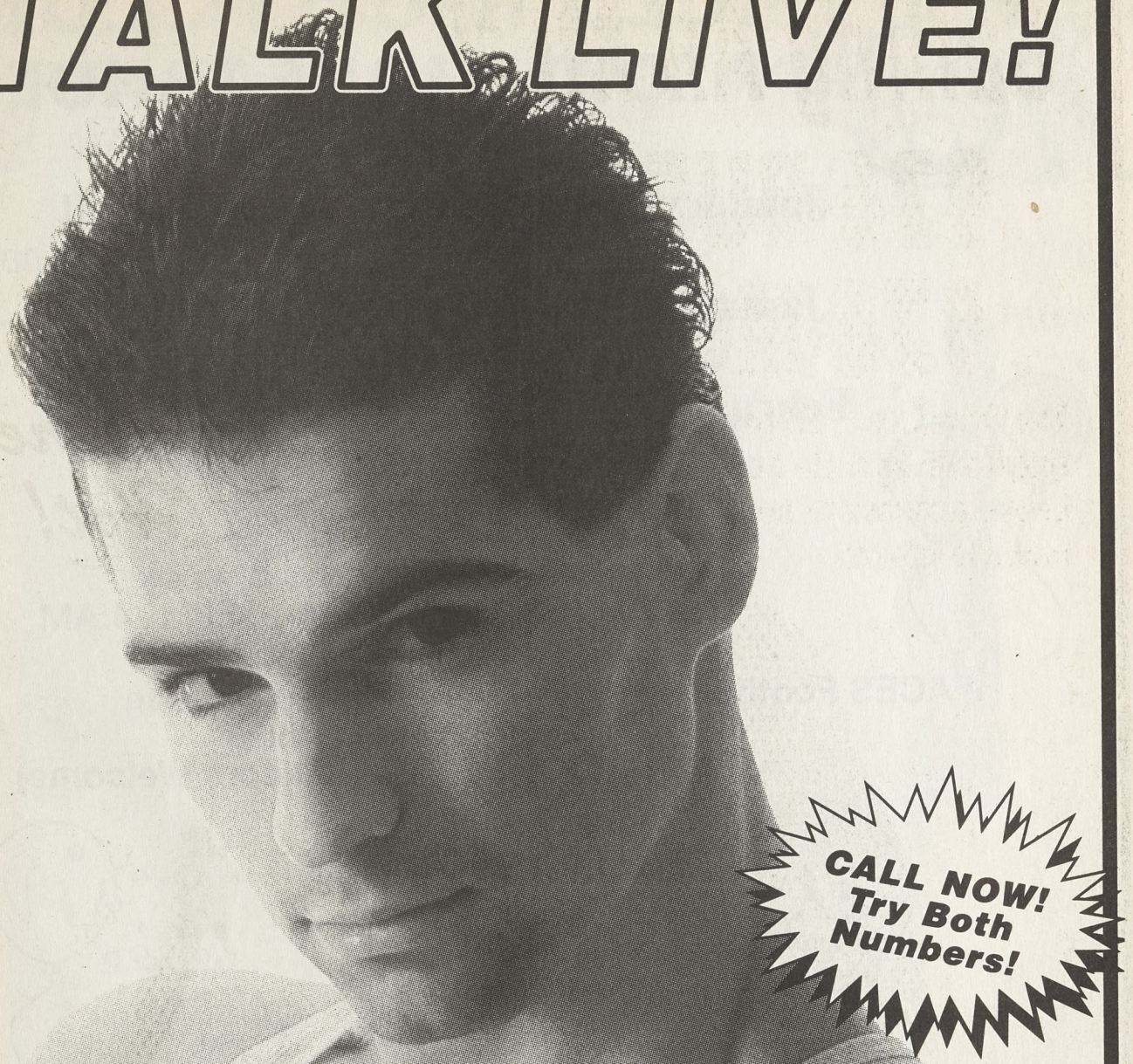

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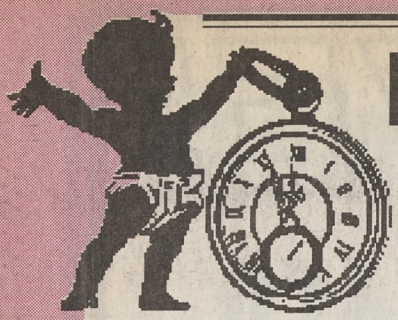

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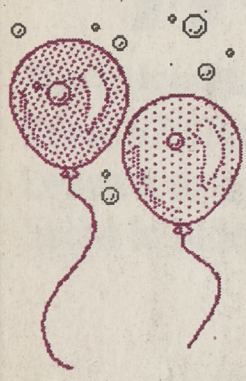

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